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CENTRAL FAX CENTER****SEP 14 2006****Applicants:** Marc R. Anderson; Larry N. Stewart; Howard M. Kingston**Assignee:** Metara, Inc.**Title:** Automated In-Process Ratio Mass Spectrometry For Trace Components Of A Process Solution (as amended)**Application No.:** 10/086,025**Filing Date:** February 28, 2002**Examiner:** Arlen Soderquist**Group Art Unit:** 1743**Docket No.:** M-15308 US**Confirmation No.:** 7853Irvine, California
September 14, 2006**Via Facsimile to (571) 273-8300**Mail Stop AMENDMENT
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